

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Itzhak Bentwich

App. No.: 10/708,952

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Examiner: BOWMAN, AMY HUDSON

Title: BIOINFORMATIALLY DETECTABLE
GROUP OF NOVEL REGULATORY
VIRAL AND VIRAL ASSOCIATED
OLIGONUCLEOTIDES AND USES
THEREOF

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on September 19, 2008 (the "Office Action"). The Examiner requires election of a single sequence for prosecution. This issue was discussed by Teddy C. Scott and Examiner Amy Bowman in a telephonic interview conducted on October 20, 2008, for which the undersigned thanks the Examiner. As discussed during the interview, Applicant already elected subject matter related to SEQ ID NO: 14051 in a previous office action reply (which was submitted on September 17, 2007). The Examiner agreed, as indicated in her interview summary of October 24, 2008. Accordingly, Applicant makes no further election. Submitted herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time and the \$130 fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). No other fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper, however, should any fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above docket number.

Respectfully submitted,

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